

Lincoln County's rate of increase but well under that of Newton Township, Catawba County and North Carolina. There are indications that this trend of increasing population at a decreasing rate has not held true for the years since 1960, however, as will be pointed out in the following section of this report; there are certainly sufficient grounds for optimism concerning continued population increase for Maiden.

POPULATION TRENDS TABLE 1 FOR SELECTED AREAS - 1910-1960					
	Maiden	Newton Twp.	Catawba County	Lincoln County	North Carolina
1910	644	5,921	27,918	17,132	2,200,287
1920	1,266	8,257	33,839	17,862	2,559,123
Per Cent Change	92.0	39.5	21.2	4.3	30.0
1930	1,628	10,911	43,991	22,872	3,170,276
Per Cent Change	28.5	32.2	30.0	28.0	23.9
1940	1,803	12,745	51,653	24,187	3,571,623
Per Cent Change	10.6	16.8	17.3	5.7	12.7
1950	1,952	14,438	61,794	27,459	4,061,929
Per Cent Change	8.3	13.3	19.4	13.5	13.7
1960	2,039	16,798	73,191	28,814	4,556,155
Per Cent Change	4.5	16.4	18.3	4.9	12.2
Source: U. S. Bureau of Census					

RECENT TRENDS -- 1960-1969

Possibly the largest indicator of growth in the Maiden planning area since 1960 would be the continued growth of industry here. Carolina Mills completed construction of a new plant just north of town in March, 1968. Rex Knitting completed a new plant three years ago, and expects to complete work on additions in 1969. Maiden Knitting and Finishing is currently expanding its operations within the town. Baumritter Corp. (Superior Chair) and Null Manufacturing have experienced expansion during the years since 1960. The Woonsocket Spinning Co.